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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF
NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 29, 2008

Sir:

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 8, 2008, the Examiner indicated that the marked-up copy of the substitute specification filed on June 11, 2007 did not include markings.

The Applicants submit that throughout the entire marked up copy of the substitute specification, the font was changed in order to make the specification easier to read (this was in response to the objection on page 4, item 6 in the Office Action mailed February 9, 2007). In addition, there are minor errors corrected, and shown with mark-ups, on page 11, line 23, page 17, line 24, and page 24, line 14 of the marked-up copy of the specification.

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection and allowance of the claims.